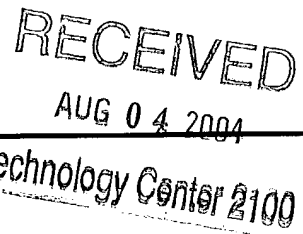
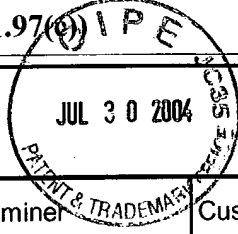


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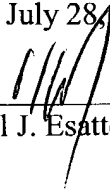
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The reference was cited in an Official Action dated May 13, 2004, received from the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO). A copy of the Korean Official Action is enclosed together with a translation of the Korean Official Action into Japanese. Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited reference, together with an English translation of the Examiner's comments regarding the references. Please note that the other references cited in the Official Action, namely, Tae-Yun Chung et al., "Digital Watermarking for Copyright Protection of MPEG2 Compressed Video" and United Kingdom Laid-Open Patent Application Publication No. 2335816, dated September 29, 1999, were previously submitted in applicant's Information Disclosure Statement dated September 26, 2003. The relevance of the references is described in the Official Action.

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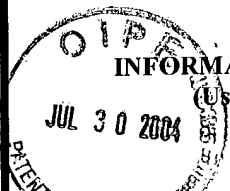
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